

ADM 4354, Fall2015, Quiz #3

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Please, write your answers in the space provided.  
Only the final answer will be graded.

**Problem 1 (1 point):** Making an appropriate assumption about the validity of the parity conditions, find inflation rate in Canada if Canadian dollars has depreciated relative to USD by 10% and the inflation in the U.S. was 7%.

Answer: 19%

$$\frac{S_1 - S_0}{S_0} = \frac{\pi - \pi^*}{1 + \pi^*}$$

If  $S$  is  $\left(\frac{\$}{\text{CAD}}\right) \Rightarrow \pi = \pi^{\$}$   
 $\pi^* = \pi^{\text{CAD}}$

$$-0.1 = \frac{0.07 - x}{1 + x} \Rightarrow 0.1x + 0.1 = x - 0.07$$

$$0.17 = 0.9x$$

$$0.19 = x \text{ or } \pi^{\text{CAD}} = 19\%$$

**Problem 2 (1 point):** Which of the following conditions is the WEAKEST condition that MUST be satisfied to allow you to answer the previous question?

- a) The law of one price
- b) Purchasing Power Parity
- c) Relative Purchasing Power Parity
- d) Interest Rate Parity

**Problem 3 (1 point):** Find U.K. interest rate if U.S. interest rate is 12%, spot \$/£ exchange rate 1.3\$/£ and 1-year forward exchange rate is 1.4\$/£

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

$$\frac{F}{S} = \frac{1+r}{1+r^*} \Rightarrow \frac{1.4 \frac{\$}{\text{£}}}{1.3 \frac{\$}{\text{£}}} = \frac{1+0.12}{1+x}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1.3 \cdot 1.12}{1.4} - 1 = 0.04 \text{ or } 4\%$$

**Problem 4 (1 point):** Find the 1-year forward £/\$ exchange rate if the spot exchange rate is 0.8£/\$, U.S. interest rate is 7% and U.K. interest rate is 4%. NOTE: please note that the exchange rate quotation in this problem is different from the previous one!

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

$$\frac{F}{S} = \frac{1+r^*}{1+r} \Rightarrow \frac{F}{0.8 \frac{\$}{\pounds}} = \frac{1+0.04}{1+0.07} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow F = \frac{0.8 \cdot 1.04}{1.07} = 0.78 \frac{\pounds}{\$}$$

**Problem 5 (1 point):** Find the MAXIMUM possible U.S. interest rate if you observe the spot bid-ask exchange rates of 1.28-1.32\$/£, the 1-year forward bid-ask exchange rates of 1.38-1.42\$/£, you can freely borrow £s at 13% and invest them at 11%

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

$$\max r = \frac{\max F \cdot (1 + \max r^*)}{\min S} - 1$$

$$= \frac{1.42 \cdot (1 + 0.13)}{1.28} - 1 = 0.25 \text{ or } 25\%$$

(Alternative solution involves writing 2 strategy  
 By starting by borrowing £ we'll be able to get profit of  $\frac{1.28(1+r)}{1.42} - 1.13$ , so for it to be  $\leq 0$   
 $r < \frac{1.13 \cdot 1.42}{1.28}$   
 note! same result

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Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

$$\max r^* = \frac{\max S \cdot (1 + \max r)}{\min F} - 1 = \frac{1.32 \cdot 1.13}{1.38} - 1$$

(Alternative solution involves writing 2 strategy: by borrowing \$ at 13% we'll be able to get profit of  $\frac{1+r^*}{1.32} \cdot 1.38 - 1.13$ , so for it to be  $\leq 0$ ,  $r^*$  has to be  $r^* < \frac{1.13 \cdot 1.32}{1.38} - 1$   
 same result

**Problem 7 (1 point):** Assume that the interest parity condition between \$ and £ is violated so that you can make an arbitrage and your arbitrage strategy include selling forward contracts on £. In this case your arbitrage strategy will also include:

- Buying £s on the spot market and buying forward contracts on £s
- Buying £s on the spot market and selling forward contracts on £s
- Selling £s on the spot market and buying forward contracts on £s
- Selling £s on the spot market and selling forward contracts on £s

**Problem 8 (1 point):** How the value of a European put option for £1 will change if the current exchange rate will instantly increase from 1.4 \$/£ to 1.5\$/£:

- a) Increase by \$0.1
- b) Increase by an amount that cannot be determined based on the available information
- c) Decrease by \$0.1
- d) Decrease by an amount that cannot be determined based on the available information

*since we don't know how time value is affected*

**Problem 9 (2 points):** Assume you bought one put option with strike price of 2\$/£ for 0.3\$, sold one call option with strike price of 2.5\$/£ for 0.725\$ and sold one put option with strike price of 2.5 for \$0.644

a) What is your maximum possible gain?

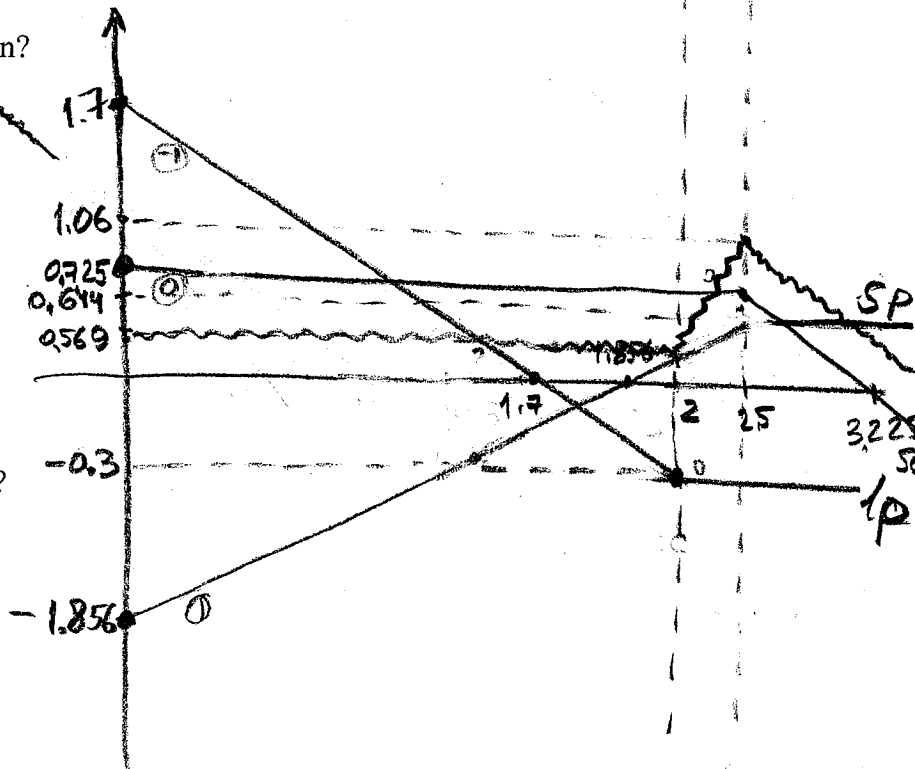
*since profit's shape is [sketch] then max gain is achieved at  $S_T = 2.5$*

*at 2.5 lp: -0.3  
sp: 0.644  
sc: 0.725*

*Answer:  $\Sigma = 1.069$*

b) What is your maximum possible loss?

*It is infinite ( $\infty$ )  
(look at [sketch])*



**Problem 10 (1 point):** Consider a call option with a strike price of 1.7\$/£. If the current exchange rate is 1.6\$/£

- a) This option is in the money if and only if its price is less than \$0.1
- b) This option is in the money if and only if its price is more than \$0.1
- c) This option is out of the money if and only if its price is less than \$0.1
- d) This option is out of the money if and only if its price is more than \$0.1
- e) This option is in the money regardless of its current price
- f) This option is out of the money regardless of its current price
- g) At least two of the above answers are correct

**Problem 11 (1 point):** Find the time value of a 1-year put option with strike price of 1.7\$/£ if the current exchange rate is 1.5\$/£, the option costs \$0.5 and the domestic interest rate is 14%.

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

$$\text{Total value} = \text{Time Value} + \text{Intr. Value}$$

$$0.5 = \quad \times$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Time Value} = 0.3$$

$$0.2 \\ (1.7 - 1.5) \\ \text{put is ITM}$$

**Problem 12 (1 point):** An increase in foreign interest rate will lead to:

- a) Higher call option price and higher put option price
- b) Higher call option price and lower put option price
- c) Higher call option price and no effect on the put option price
- d) Lower call option price and higher put option price
- e) Lower call option price and lower put option price
- f) Lower call option price and no effect on the put option price
- g) No effect on the call option price and higher put option price
- h) No effect on the call option price and lower put option price
- i) No effect on the call option price and no effect on the put option price

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**Problem 13 (1 point):** If one-year call and put options with the same strike price of 1.7\$/£ have the same price of \$0.4 and domestic interest rate is equal to 10%, then:

- a) Foreign interest rate is equal to 10%
- b) The spot exchange rate is equal to 1.7\$/£
- c) The forward exchange rate is equal to 1.7\$/£
- d) At least two of the above answers are correct
- e) All of the above
- f) None of the above

$$C = P \Leftrightarrow F = X$$

**Problem 14 (1 point):** Find the price of 1-year call option with strike price of 1.7\$/£ if 1-year put option with the same strike sells for \$0.4, forward exchange rate is 1.5\$/£ and domestic interest rate is 8%

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

call put parity

$$C - P = \frac{F - X}{(1+r)^1}$$

$$C - 0.4 = \frac{1.5 - 1.7}{1.08}$$

$$C = 0.215$$